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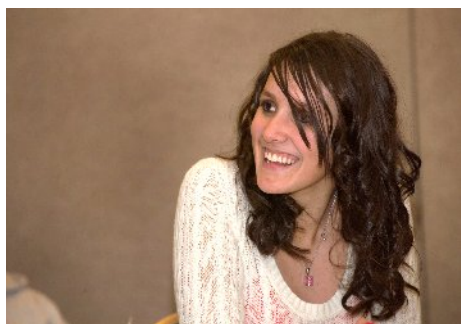
INL Scholastic Tournament

Tournament Talk

Start times for 2009

The start times for the 2009 INL Scholastic Tournament have been determined and are listed in this edition of *Tournament Talk*.

In both the North and West Regional on the double tournament days, the classification teams that competed early in 2008 will have the opportunity to "sleep in" and compete in the later tournament of the day. Conversely, the classification teams arriving later in 2008 will have to arrive early and compete in the first tournament in 2009. Every attempt is made to reverse this order each year, although room scheduling does not always make that possible.



Deadline: 2-6-09

The deadline for registering for this year's completion is Friday, Feb. 6. Registration is made easy with an online, and cut-and-mail version. To register online, go to <https://education.inel.gov/ScholasticTournamentRegistration-Form.aspx>

. To register with the cut-and-mail version, fill out the form below and mail it to the address listed at the bottom of the form.

At this printing, 41 schools have registered to compete in this year's tournament. To confirm your school's registration, visit the INL Scholastic Tournament Web page at <https://inlportal.inel.gov/portal/server.pt?open=512&objID=307&PageID=5518&parentname=CommunityEditor&parentid=33&cached=true&mode=2>



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Register your team now for the 2009 INL Scholastic Tournament

School name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Coach's name: _____

Coach's telephone: Daytime: _____ Cell: _____

E-mail address: _____ Fax: _____

Return completed form to: Steve Zollinger, INL Scholastic Tournament, 2238 Robb Street, Idaho Falls, ID, 83402. **Forms must be received by Feb. 6, 2009.**

National Science Bowl finals to include Middle School competition

For the first time, the 2009 National Science Bowl finals will include the finals of the National Science Bowl Middle School competition. In the past, the middle school tournament has been held in Denver in June and hosted by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. This year the two events will combine during the same time frame in an effort to gain greater recognition by regional and national media. While INL does not sponsor a middle school competition, some Idaho schools have competed in a regional qualifying meet in Spokane, Washington.

Practice makes perfect

Scholastic Services will once again provide the questions for this year's tournament. Questions to use for practice or in meets with other teams are available. Please e-mail scholastic@ida.net or call toll-free 1-888-522-6310.



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New five-panelist buzzer systems to debut in '09

As already mentioned in the November 2008 *Tournament Talk*, the 2009 competition will feature five-panelist (front row) buzzer systems. Initially, it is expected that there will be two systems featuring the additional player, with more to be built next year. The purpose is to allow, if desired, an additional player on the front row, while keeping the three alternates on the back row, thereby allowing more students to compete. Although not all rooms will be equipped with the five-player systems, we do not expect any team to have an added advantage by playing with or without the new system.



2009 Tournament Schedules

North Regional

University of Idaho

Student Union Building, Moscow

Class B, Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009

Registration at 9 a.m.

Class A, Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009

Registration at 12:30 p.m.

Class C, Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009

Registration at 10 a.m.

West Regional

Boise State University

Student Union Building, Boise

Class C, Monday, March 2, 2009

Registration at 10 a.m.

Class A, Tuesday, March 3, 2009

Registration at 9 a.m.

Class B, Tuesday, March 3, 2009

Registration at 1 p.m.

East Regional

Idaho State University, Idaho Falls

Campus, IFCHE Building, Idaho Falls

Class C, Monday, March 9, 2009

Registration at 8 a.m.

Class B, Monday, March 9, 2009

Registration at 1 p.m.

Class A, Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Registration at 9 a.m.

State Tournament

Boise Centre on the Grove,

Boise

Tuesday, March 24, 2009,

Super Science Seminars in a.m.

Luncheon, 12 noon

Class A, B and C preliminary rounds

Wednesday, March 25, 2009

Class A, B and C state championships,
Idaho Public Television

National Science Bowl

National 4-H Center

Washington, D.C.

April 30 — May 5, 2009

